

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant : Ernst Peter Strecker

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For : ENDOPROSTHESIS THAT CAN BE PERCUTANEOUSLY
IMPLANTED IN THE PATIENT'S BODY

Group : 3738 Confirmation No: 1060

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RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.116

Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action of May 11, 2009, for which a response is due on or before August 11, 2009, with no extensions of time, Applicant submits the following response and respectfully request reconsideration.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of the claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 6 of this paper.